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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2007, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to April 5, 2007, accompany this amendment. Because April 5, 2007 falls on a Saturday, this amendment is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.